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public very recently about the mal-administration and mismanagement of funds as given in the audit reports and will the Government instruct the Inspector of Local Boards to enquire into the affairs of the panchayat board? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" Sir, when any serious allegations are made, they are all properly enquired into and if anything is found wrong, action will be taken."

Assets and liabilities of Pudukkottai State at the time of its merger with Madras State.

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MR. SPEAKER :—" As the hon. Member, SRI V. Balakrishnan, is not in his seat, the answer will be printed in the proceedings."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the assets and liabilities of Pudukkottai State (now Pudukkottai Division of Tiruchirappalli district) at the time of its merger with Madras State;

(b) the total amount of revenue of Pudukkottai State immediately in the year prior to merger; and

(c) the total annual provincial revenues from Pudukkottai Division each year since merger (excluding income-tax) collected by the Madras Government?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" (a) Value of assets taken over—

		(RS. LAKHS.)
Buildings	..	51·25
Other assets	..	149·80
Total	..	201·05
Liabilities	..	39 23

" (b) Rs. 37,45,000 in fasli 1356 (rupees thirty seven lakhs forty-five thousand only).

		RS.	A.	P.
" (c) From 3rd March 1948 (date of merger) to end of..	1948–49	30,23,670	0	6
	1949–50	42,96,464	10	5

" No separate figures from the years 1950–51 onwards are available as the Pudukkottai State has been merged with the Tiruchirappalli district from 1st April 1950 for all accounts purposes."